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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing.

 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Sir:

With respect to the above-identified patent application, the following are filed herewith in response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53, mailed October 24, 2000, copy attached.

- ____ Declaration in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63.
- X Declaration in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63, attached to copy of application as originally filed.
- X Small Entity Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 (2 sheets in total).
- Certified copy of ** Application No. **, filed **, the priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- _X Assignment Document and Cover Sheet, with \$40.00 fee for recordation of Assignment (3 sheets in total).
- X If a Petition for Extension of time is necessary and the Petition and/or the check is not enclosed, this will act as the Petition and applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response and charge and fees necessary under 37 CFR 1.17 (a) (d) to Deposit Account No. 06-1358. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge payment of any other additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

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A check in the amount of \$ 450.00, is enclosed to cover the filing fee, late filing surcharge and fee for recordation of Assignment. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit or credit any fees set forth in §1.16 or §1.17 to Deposit Account No. 06-1358 as needed in order to effect proper filing of the application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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